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DECATUR, ILLINOIS, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1879.

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J. R. RACE & CO., HEADQUARTERS FOR HOLIDAY GOODS!

Consisting of a New Line of Neckwear, of the most Fancy Designs
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CLARENDON SCARF, LEANDER SCARF, DONIZETTI SCARF, AND ALL THE LATEST NOVELTIES IN SCARF PINS, SCARFRINGS, CUFF BUTTONS

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SILK HANDKERCHIEFS, WITH ALL THE

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Just the place to select a suitable

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OVERCOATS,

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And are selling at old prices, notwithstanding

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SPECIAL

—AND—

EXTRAORDINARY BARGAINS!

IN CLOAKS.

We have added about ONE HUNDRED Cloaks to our
Inventory, a new assortment, and all being this season a manu-
facture and purchase, they are fresh and nobby. We offer them at a small advance
ABOVE ORIGINAL COST. Don't fail to see and prize them.

IN SHAWLS.

We offer a sumptuous single Shawl a very heavy Beau-
tiful in any house in the City.

HOSIERY.

In view of our immense sales in this department last season
we have brought here a supply which, for variety of styles as
well as quality and quantity, can not be approached by but a few dealers. AND OUR PRICES,
quoted in another part of this paper are the wonder of our patrons and an agreeable sur-
prise to strangers and new customers. In HOSIERY we certainly lead

IN UNDERWEAR.

In Ladies' and Men's Underwear we
would be impossible to particularize. We have in stock no less than 200 DOZENS, comprising
the manufacturers best products from the upward. These goods were purchased before
the late advance in pieces and are made as low as today's jobbing prices for same goods

BLANKETS---

10—Wool Blankets, at 22 50
11—Heavy White, 3 00
11—Nearly all Wool, 3 50

SKIRTS--Cassimere, Flannel & Felt

In every style and a very large assortment of the VERY BEST to select from. In this depart-
ment none can surpass us or COMPETE with us in PRICES

IN EMBROIDERIES, RUCHINGS AND RIBBONS,

We have our shelves, counters and cases as full as they can be piled, and Ladies will find our
listing to this advertisement LITERALLY TRUE as to this class of goods

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Bretonne Lace Fichus, Lace Handkerchiefs from 5c upward. Hem stitched Handkerchiefs,
Gents Linen Handkerchiefs, Ladies' Bows, Necklaces, Laces, Gloves, Hat
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of other Useful and Ornamental Articles in this line

IN LADIES' CUFFS AND COLLARS

We have an excellent assortment, selling CHEAPER than they were ever offered by any De-
catur house

CORSETS is Our Specialty.

And they can only be appreciated for both quality and price when seen

SEEING IS BELIEVING.

CHEAP STORE, SOL MORITZ & CO.

MERCHANT STREET,

SIGN OF THE BIG 18.

December 11, 1879—d&w

MIRANDA M. SARGENT, M. D. BEAUTIFUL PORTRAITS

Office and residence over Gehrmann's store
Street entrance between Gehrmann's and
Stoecky's, Restaurant street, Decatur, Ill.
Sept. 22, 1879—d&wIMPOSING as are the mountains of
cheese and bastions of butter tabs at an
international dairy fair, the New York
Sun remarks, the statistics of dairy orators
are still more impressive. Thus
"last year Gen. Butler took his hearers
into the 9th place of figures—the billions
of millions; but this year Mr.
Ole Thurber carries them one place
further, and lands them among the bil-
lions. When we learn that the number
of milk cows in this country is 13,
000,000, and that the number of pounds
of cheese and butter made last year ag-
gregated 1,300,000,000, we begin to
feel the importance of dairymen and
dairymaids—especially as even Germany
which comes next to us in its census of
milch cows, has not even 9,000,000,
and France, which ranks third, has only
4,500,000. Of butter alone the United
States alone produces annually 900,
000,000 pounds," and these figures the
same paper suggests, are calculated to
make one sigh over the difficulty of
buying one pound of good butter this
season of the year.

A BRITISH army of invasion was literally annihilated in Afghanistan in 1842. It now looks as if history might repeat itself. The present British army of invasion now in that country is evidently in imminent danger. The Afghans are a fighting people, and are resisting an enemy, which, without a shadow of justification, seeks to rob them of their country.

ZANESVILLE, Ohio, Sept. 10, 1878
MESSRS. MORGAN & ALLEN, 59 St John
st., New York City.—Dear Sirs, I am
pleased to inform you that your father is al-
most as well as he ever was. His appe-
tite is improving daily; he does not have to
get up during the night, whereas he used to
get up every half hour. He re-
marked at the supper table this evening
that he felt so well—better than he had
for several years. The quantity of urine
now passed in twenty-four hours does not
exceed one quart—the proper quantity—
quite a drop from 3½ gallons. Will
do as you say, let him eat anything, and if
any return of the disease you will hear
from me. Yours very truly,

JNO. L. SMITH
ZANESVILLE, Nov. 7, 1878
MESSRS. MORGAN & ALLEN, 59 St John
st., New York City.—Dear Sirs, I am
pleased some time since I wrote you in re-
gard to how father was getting along.
So I thought I would write to you today.
I am happy to say that he is entirely well,
has been cured with less than three bot-
tles of Constitution Water. Since he
has been taking the Constitution Water,
we have heard of a good many cases of
diabetes in this city. One lady especially
has it very bad. When we first heard
of her she was in bed with it. She
bought one bottle of Constitution Water,
and, after taking a few doses, was able
to sit up. Send me as many circumsstances
as you can for the enclosed stamp. There
are a great many persons that want
them. Yours very truly

JNO. L. SMITH
Ask your druggist for it.

The latest novelties in the jewelry line
suitable for holiday gifts, just received at
J. L. Kneipe's all of which will be sold
at the very lowest prices. To the repair
of watches, clocks and jewelry I give
my personal attention, and therefore can
guarantee satisfaction to all who may fa-
vor me with a call. No 30 Merchant st.

YOUNG GENTLEMEN, call and see the
assortment of fine shoes at Barber &
Baker's before you buy
Nov. 29—d&w

TREMENDOUS reduction in cloaks and shawls
from now until Holidays, to close out, at
the Popular New York Store

Buy Bergman's Zephyrs of Linn &
Scruggs, and you will get much better
zephyrs and one third more weight
than anywhere else

JUST RECEIVED, at large and elegant
assortment of Cloaks and Dolmans at
lower prices than were ever sold, at

Nov. 15—d&w

LINN & SCRUGGS

SEHLADAGER'S patent process flour
saves one-half the labor in baking, and
will make more bread to the pound than
any other flour ever sold here

Dec. 18—d&w

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Dec. 21—d&w

The Daily Republican.

H. K. HAWKINS, J. R. MOSHER.
HAMSHER & MOSSER PUBLISHERS.
DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

REGISTERED AT THE POST OFFICE AT DECATUR, ILLINOIS, AS SECOND CLASS MAIL MATTER.

SATURDAY EVENING, DEC. 20, 1879.

The manufacturing district of Manchester, England, contains 976 cotton factories, employing 364,640 operatives. The reasons why Lancashire monopolizes the trade in cotton goods, are, first, the humidity of the climate, second, the operatives have acquired a cleverness and skill that is superior to any in the world. The depression in trade and manufacture still continues, and a very large class in that district is seeking relief by emigration, many of these being farmers.

The national banks of the United States have been called upon by the comptroller of the currency at Washington for a report showing their condition at the close of Friday, the 12th day of December. The comptroller reports the amount of additional circulation issued to banks in the month of November, \$3,109,350, and during the month of December to the 19th, \$2,023,370, making \$5,132,720 since the date of the tables published in his last report. The amount of legal-tender notes deposited for the purpose of retarding circulation the same length of time is \$405,640, making a net increase in the national bank of circulation of \$4,717,070.

The case in a nutshell is this. The election in Maine last fall resulted as follows for Governor.

DAVIS (Republ.)..... 47,422

MARTIN (Democrat)..... 21,175

Half the Democrats voted for Smith. The Republican candidate, although he had a plurality of more than 20,000 over the Democratic candidate and 47,600 over the Democratic candidate, fell a few votes short of a majority over both. The election of a Governor consequently devolves upon the Legislature. For the Legislature the Republicans elected 90 members of the House by clear majorities, and the Fusionists 61, leaving a Republican majority of 29 in the House. The Republicans elected 19 Senators, and the Fusionists 12; majority 7. On joint ballot the Republicans have 36 majority. But, as the returns have been manipulated by the dishonest scoundrels in charge of them, they are made to yield those results: In the Senate the Fusionists are given 20 members, the Republicans 11. In the House the Fusionists have 78, the Republicans 61. Five cities with twelve Republican Representatives—Portland, Bath, Lewiston, Rockland, and Saco—are without representation. The House will thus be twelve members short at its organization, these seats having been suppressed to swell the bogus majority. As we said, the election of the Governor, when no candidate has a clear majority of all the votes cast at the polls, devolves upon the Senate. The House nominates two of the candidates and the Senate must select the Governor from those two. The Governor and Council, as Returning Board, first counted out the Republican majority in the House, and then counted out the Republican majority in the Senate, and now propose by this fraudulent machinery to elect Smith Governor. Such is the outrage.

A MONSTROUS OUTRAGE!

To be Arbitrarily Disfranchised.

From the Bangor Whig.
No such outrageous result was ever before offered to the people of Maine as the boastful announcement in the organs of the conspirators that the people of seven of the largest cities of Maine are to be arbitrarily disfranchised upon the most frivolous pretenses in order to aid in stealing control of the state. The list of cities whose votes are to be thrown out comprises the following:

Portland, five representatives, on the ground that some 140 votes were returned "scattering."

Augusta, two representatives, on the ground that the clerk stated the whole number of votes instead of the whole number of ballots.

Lewiston, three representatives: Saco, one; Bath, one; Rockland, two; Hallowell, one—each on the ground that the returns were signed by less than a majority of the aldermen.

The frivolous character of the objection to the Portland returns will be appreciated when we state that the scattering votes, if added entire on any name on the list, would not change any result. And the mere clerical error in giving the whole number in the Augusta return is obvious on its face, while the votes for each candidate are clearly and correctly given. The complaint of an insufficiency of aldermen's signatures on the other returns is of the same specious character—as the public will bear witness before announcing the intention to disfranchise them, citing the governor and council coolly assumed the authority to declare unconstitutional the only law under which informal signatures on the returns can be corrected.

We have had some curiosity to ascertain the proportions of this monstrous outrage upon the rights of a free people, and we find by the statistics given in the Maine state year book that the seven cities which these conspirators propose to disfranchise and deprive of

their fifteen representatives, cast a total of 16,363 votes at the last election, or one-eighth of the total vote of the state, with almost 2,000 Republican majority.

That they have an aggregate population of 74,028, or one-eighth of the total population of the state!

That they have a valuation of \$57,294,758, or more than one-quarter the total valuation of the state!

And these seven cities, containing so large a proportion of the property and population of the state, and entitled to one-tenth of the entire representation in the popular branch of the legislature, are coolly condemned to disfranchisement by the organs of a usurping coalition, consisting of Alonzo Garcelon, John B. Foster, Simon S. Brown, Frank M. Fogg, Charles H. Chase, Halsey H. Monroe, Frederick G. Parker.

GREAT RISE IN RUBBER

From the New York Times, 10th.

There has been much excitement in the rubber trade all over the world, and particularly in this country, for several days. The excitement was brought about entirely by the manipulations of a certain Spanish house in the trade.

This house went to work quietly in a determined bull movement, and operated so successfully that they succeeded in creating a universal feeling that the Para (Brazil) crop would be short. The feeling soon sent prices flying upward and dealers began buying in every direction, and at all kinds of prices. The Spaniards had been buying the Para crop as fast as it was gathered, and had large quantities in the ports of New York, Philadelphia, and Liverpool, and found little difficulty in disposing of it at fancy prices. In fact the very presence of the rubber at the ports named had been managed as one of the means to break the market. For years past rubber had steadily remained at an average price of fifty cents a pound. The Spaniards would send one cargo to port, consign it to be sold at 70 cents, another to be sold at 70 cents, and so on each consignment being higher than the one preceding. The operators being known to be exceedingly shrewd, the reasons for their conduct were inquired into, and it was soon agreed all around that they had, upon investigation, discovered that the crop was a partial failure, and were strengthening themselves against the future. This opinion once obtaining was quickly circulated in all directions. The result was that prices went up so rapidly, and the fever to buy against a supposed short crop became so great, that the Spanish gentlemen found no difficulty in either securing full advances on their consignments or selling even at higher figures. In four days last week the movement ran prices from 50 cents to \$1 a pound, with plenty of buyers at the latter figure. As an instance of the activity produced in the trade, it may be stated that during the excitement 1,000 tons, or 2,000,000 pounds of rubber, represented the amount bought in one day by several houses in New York and Liverpool alone, at prices ranging from 70 to 80 cents a pound. The amount is about one-sixteenth of the whole annual crop of the entire world, showing an extraordinary state of trade. The truth gradually dawned upon the rubber dealers, and prices began to drop. But as the speculators had secured enough of the Para crop to control the market, they have been able to keep prices up beyond a natural level. Yesterday the quotations opened at 80, but closed at 32 with a very firm market.

Investigations made by a Times reporter showed that the rubber crop, instead of being short, is in reality somewhat greater than it was last year. The Para district of Brazil produces about one-half of the rubber crop of the world, amounting to between 15,000,000 and 18,000,000 pounds a year. Africa and the East Indies together produce about as much more. The crop is gathered from September until April and is now about half in. Although rubber is the most elastic thing in the world, it has for years been about the stadiest and most unyielding article of trade, in the matter of "wildcat" speculation, in the market. This has been mainly owing to the uniform steadiness in improvement of the Para crop. For twenty-five years this crop has averaged a steady increase of about 10 per cent.

LADIES' night dresses, chemises, drawers and skirts, at very low prices. June 27-dw

ELEGANT Florence sets, at J. T. Hubbard's Drug Store, opposite post office. Dec. 12-dw

DENVER, Dec. 19.—A special to the Tribune from Los Pinos, the 18th, says the commission, now consisting of Gen. Hatch and Lieut. Valois, is patiently awaiting the arrival of the prisoner. Nothing has heard of Orray since his departure for the camp of the White River Utes on the 15th inst. He left confident of his ability to reach the Agency by the 21st inst. There is a strong war feeling existing among both the Uncompahgre and White River Utes, which may yet prevent the officers of the Commonwealth overlooking the parties demanded.

The reported conversation between a New York World reporter and General McCook, of Gen. Sheridan's staff, in which he says that if he had been there he would have taken the Indians prisoners without waiting any longer, is decidedly amazing. When the situation of affairs at the time alluded to is taken into consideration, a question arises which, perhaps, the distinguished officer can answer. There are seventeen white men, commission and escort, in a log building with twenty-five armed Indians and the building surrounded by over 200 more. By what military strategem could Gen. McCook have surrounded the Indians and taken twelve of their number prisoners?

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TELEGRAPHIC

THE MAINE REVOLUTION.

Great Indignation Meeting at Augusta.

HEAVY FAILURE AT PEORIA.

AUGUSTA, ME., Dec. 19.—The indignation meeting to-night was attended by an immense crowd. Delegations from various parts of the State were an imposing feature of the demonstration. Granite Hall, where the meeting was held, could not accommodate the multitude. Ex-Gov. Conner presided. Resolutions were adopted denouncing the action of the Governor and Council, and Senator Blaine then made an address reviewing the situation in detail, which was delivered with great enthusiasm.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—The Commercial Exchange gave General Grant a public reception to-day. The Exchange Building was very beautifully decorated. In response to an address of welcome from President Baily, Gen. Grant delivered a brief address in which he said: "My visits abroad have enabled me to see how greatly our foreign trade can be increased. In Europe it is already well taken care of, but in East America is only beginning to be known and appreciated. We are now better represented there, and will be until our policy shall be so changed as to allow our representatives to increase their compensation by acting as business agents of American manufacturers and business houses, thus making it to their interest to increase and develop our trade, rather than repress it as is at present the case."

In conclusion, the General said: "I had no idea of saying this much, and I am almost sorry I have said it. I again thank you for the very cordial welcome you have extended to me."

The remarks of the General were warmly applauded. Mayor Stokley, stepping to the front, said: "It is not a part of the programme that I should say anything, but I can scarcely help remarking that you can now see how usefully, if he is ever again called upon officially, General Grant could administer the affairs of the nation after his extensive and careful observations abroad." This remark called forth a round of applause.

PEORIA, ILL., Dec. 19.—The failure of Thomas Neil, the great local live-stock operator, is the only theme of conversation here. Telegraphed yesterday, Mr. Neil's continued absence caused considerable uneasiness among his friends and creditors. This uneasiness developed yesterday afternoon into positive alarm, and there was a mad rush of his creditors to secure themselves. Suits were begun, old debts and mortgages by the score, that had been held as collaterals, were filed for record, attachments were levied, and creditors, constables and lawyers were flying about in great haste. Mr. Neil's continued absence from the city makes anything like an estimate of his liabilities almost an impossibility. From claims already made public, and from debts for which it is believed he is liable, it is safe to put his failure at \$300,000. It may possibly exceed this sum. The national banks here are all heavy creditors, but are abundantly secured by mortgages on real estate and collaterals, which can be realized on without much delay. The worst feature about the failure is the fact that Mr. Neil keeps himself away from the city. Nothing has been heard of him since last Sunday, at which time he was in Chicago. He sent his wife home that night, saying he would follow on Tuesday. His family claim to know nothing of his whereabouts. There are those who assert he will never return. His absence is losing him any sympathy that he might otherwise have deserved.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18.—The Committee of the Legislature to whom was referred the alleged over-issue of State bonds, after the session, since last June, have completed their labors and prepared a report, which is to day given to the Governor. They have thoroughly investigated the matter, and traced each bond to its holder. The committee found that \$72,000 of the bonds deposited in Girard Bank were paid into the Treasury by C. S. Baker and accounted for by Henry S. McGraw, State Treasurer. The report says: "The settlement of Henry S. McGraw is a satisfactory explanation of the whole question, and had it been placed on the minutes of the Sinking Fund Commission there would have been no difficulty with reference to the loan, and all outstanding bonds would have been redeemed." The settlement is found on the fly leaf of the books of the State Treasurer, a place so unusual that the officers of the Commonwealth overlooked the parties demanded.

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CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—The trouble at the stock yards remains in state quo. Five thousand men are idle, but 3,000 are at work in the various packing houses, where none but members of the Union are employed. It is claimed by some people in a position to judge, that the whole affair is merely a movement of the packers to depress the price of hogs and enhance the value of provisions. In support of this view is the fact that hogs at the yards were picked up quietly this afternoon at low prices which were reached this morning.

* The favorite "Prescription" cigar of J. T. Hubbard's is the leading cigar in the city—opposite the post office.

THE CHURCHES TO-MORROW.

FIRST M. E. CHURCH.

To-morrow the classes and Sabbath School will meet as usual. At 10 a. m. the pastor will preach a Christmas sermon with reference to the "Birth and Person of Christ." At 7 p. m. his sermon will be concerning "Christmas Gifts." A cordial invitation is extended to all.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Public worship as usual, conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. H. Batson. At 10:30 a. m. sermon to children and those who have been. At 7 p. m. a Christmas service, with appropriate sermons and music. Young People's meeting at 6:30 p. m. Sunday School at 9 a. m. A welcome to all.

19-dw

CHEAP STORE.

Buffalo Bobs.

We have just received a nice lot of robes, at the following prices, \$8.50, \$11.50, \$12.50. Call and make your selections soon, as we shall not have any more until after the holidays.

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J. G. STARR & SON

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loving out at great bar-

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The Daily Republican.

SATURDAY EVENING, DEC. 20, 1879.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

MAJOLICA goods, very suitable for Christmas presents, at E. D. Bartholomew & Co.'s, in opera block.

Be sure to read Curtis & Ewing's Holiday Notice.

Local matter on 4th page.

WENDELL PHILLIPS to-night.

FREE celluloid goods and pure drugs at W. C. Armstrong's drug store.

COMFORTABLE hoopskirts at Miss A. Miller's.

Good groceries at F. W. Niedermeyer's, on the Mound.

Ack for Oamer's "Morning Glory" nickel cigar.

The finest cigars in Decatur may be had at Schroeder's, in post office block.

VENISON steaks at Delmonico restaurant.

8dwt

TISSUES in all styles at the Delmonico.

Go to Barnes & Bros. for your Christmas candles, sugar toys and fruits.

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The Original Big C can Oysters, at 10-dwt Miller's.

Three dollar a dozen photographs put up at Wells' gallery can't be beat.

16-dwt

We understand that the various exercises at the different churches on Christmas Eve, will close early enough to allow all the children to take their part at the tabernacle.

Cow Zig-zag tobacco, clear Kentucky white filler. 10-dwt

THE Pleasure Club ball at t'remen's headquarters on Thursday night, was a very pleasant affair; and the same may be said of the club ball given at Neptune house on the same evening.

If you intend making your wife a present of a beautiful carpet, make your selection at Abel & Locke's at once.

QUAIL on toast at Delmonico restaurant.

8dwt

NOBIGER visiting card stock in the city just received at this office.

(all at Pratt's, 37 N. Church street, for your Holiday Goods.) 10-dwt

SNOKERS sets, largest stock in Decatur, st J. T. Hand & Co's.

st-dwt

SOMETHING new, stylish and pretty in the line of New Year Calling Cards, at J. T. Hand & Co's Book and Music Store.

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Electron of Officers.

At a special meeting of Decatur Council No. 12, Royal Templars of Temperance, held on Friday evening, Dec. 19, the following officers were elected for the ensuing six months:

Select Counclor—Rev. N. S. Haynes

Vice Counclor—W. E. Bingham

Chaplain—E. McNabb.

Secretary—Mrs L. C. Shea.

Financial Secretary—Wm. Niedermeyer.

Treasurer—Sullivan Burgess.

Herald—A. Wait.

Guard—W. H. Addis.

Surveilant—Wm. Towling.

A Pleasant Supper Party.

Last night, at the residence of J. J. Pedecord, Esq., a company, consisting of Gov. Oglesby and wife, Dr. Goodwin and wife, Rev. G. W. Miller and wife, Isaac Shellabarger and wife, and Mrs. Dr. Buck, took supper and spent the evening in a most social and pleasant manner.

The Athenaeum.

This school society for mutual, social and literary entertainment, was organized at the high school building on the 11th inst., and will hold meetings every week during the winter. The following officers have been elected:

President—Weldon Coltrin.

Vice President—Lillie Chauday.

Secretary—Bering Ewing.

Marshal—Horace Andrews.

Assistant—Will Carter.

The next meeting will be held on the evening of the 26th, at the high school building.

To-night "Street Life in Europe."

The above is the subject of Hon. Wendell Phillips' lecture at the opera house on this evening, Dec. 20th, under the auspices of St. John's (Episcopal) church.

Mr. Phillips enjoys an enviable national reputation as an eloquent and powerful lecturer, and should be greeted by a crowded house. Scores of our citizens have in times past expressed a desire to hear this eminent lecturer, and now, that the opportunity is afforded them right at home, the hall will doubtless be packed.

General admission, 50 cents; reserved seats at Curtis & Ewing's, 75 cts. Gallery, 35 cents.

Plenty of Turkey and Chickens for the Holidays. Leave your order early with E. B. Pratt, 37 North Church street.

10-dwt

"Stranger Life in Europe" is the subject of Wendell Phillips' lecture at the opera house Saturday evening Dec. 20. Secure seats at Curtis & Ewing's. dtf

An elegant line of box paper and stationery, at J. T. Hubbard's drug store, opposite the post office. [12-dwt

Go to Prescott's for Pianos, or Organs, tools & piano and organ covers.

17-18-dwt

Tut Madame Bentz female minstrels and Madel Stanley burlesque opera company played to a good house at the opera hall last night, and gave a first-class performance, which is reported entirely free from all vulgarity. The company quitted at Priest's Hotel, and left for Belleville on the early train this morning.

GENTLEMEN, are you in need of a good suit of clothing? If so, you can save money by calling at Cheap Charley's.

Dec. 13-dwt

An elegant line of box paper and stationery, at J. T. Hubbard's drug store, opposite the post office.

[12-dwt

SIXTY couples of the Sans Ceremonie Club danced the German to the music of Leonard's Italian Band at Dr. John's residence last night, "Sherry" doing the honors of the family with his usual gracefulness and hospitality.

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The best assortment of Catholic Prayer Books ever shown in the city just received at J. T. Hand & Co's, from the cheapest to the best. Call and examine.

8-dwt

WILKIN'S, Lundborg's and Lubin's Perfumes, at J. T. Hubbard's drug store, opposite post office. [12-dwt

NORTONS, in endless variety, at the Popular New York Store. 11-dwt

WANTED—Second-hand furniture and stoves; new goods at the lowest price, regardless of the advance. All goods warranted as represented or, money refunded. E. Housron.

No 14-dwt

HOMEMADE CANDIES made daily at Barnes & Bro's. Dec 18-dwt

Don't forget to look in at Curtis & Ewing's holiday display before you make your selections. Dec 18-dwt

Six beautiful square and upright pianos received at C. B. Prescott's City Music Store to-day.

17-18-dwt

Prescott's, the Live Music Man, is making sales of Pianos and Organs daily for holiday presents.

17-18-dwt

A fine assortment of Ulsters and overcoats at Cheap Charley's.

Dec 13-dwt

Overcoats on the half shell, at Miller's.

16-dwt

Those beautiful Celluloid Toilet Sets, in connection with a large number of other handsome goods suitable for Christmas presents, at astonishingly low prices, at Henry Smith's drug store, Water street.

Dec. 18-19-dwt

Married in California.

In October, 1878, Miss Etta Earhart, half-sister of Mrs. Benjamin Dill, and niece of Mr. J. B. Earhart, departed for Fresno county, California, on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Frank Rea, intending to remain there about 12 months. Yesterday (Friday) Mrs. Dill received a letter from California, announcing the marriage of Miss Earhart and Mr. John Dawson, at Mrs. Rea's house in California, which happy event took place in the presence of a large company of friends on Wednesday, Dec. 3. The Rev. Mr. Yager performed the ceremony. The bridegroom—a photograph of whom we have seen—is a fine-looking young gentleman, and a well-to-do farmer, on a half section of land in Fresno county. The bride, with whom most of our readers are acquainted, is most estimable young lady, and the news of her happy union will be received with unfeigned pleasure by her many friends here. For a long time she was a member of Decatur Lodge of Good Templars, and held many positions of honor in that organization during her residence here. Now that Miss Etta that was less than three weeks ago has decided to remain in the Golden State, and as there will be no near opportunity of offering our personal congratulations, for our ourselves and on behalf of the bride's acquaintances here, we extend to her through the medium of the press our very best wishes for her present and future happiness and prosperity, and shall deem it a pleasure to meet her and her husband when they find it convenient to pay Decatur a visit.

Fair of Gold.

The employees of the Decatur Furniture Co., at Roberts, Green & Co's coffin factory, at Chambers, Bering & Quinal's check rorer manufactory, and at Bodman & Shockley's woolen mills, were paid off to day in gold from the banking house of Pedecord, Burrows & Co. This is a good evidence of prosperous times, and that resumption is an accomplished fact so far as Decatur is concerned.

THE BEST OF THEM ALL.

Brilliant Social Success of the Presbyterian Sale and Lunch at the Tabernacle—Not Proceeds About \$400.

The Fine Art Department—Music by the Importers—Quartette—Pianoforte, Etc.

TISSUE.

The Fancy Work Booth was in charge of the Misses Mollie Barnes, May Rogers, Minnie Brown, Ella Warden, and Bettie Brown. At the Doll booth in the center of the room, the bright eyes and welcoming smiles of Mrs. W. L. Dumont and Misses Ida Bering, Hattie Brown and Belle Ewing greeted purchasers. At the button-hole bouquet booth were the Misses Little Chadsey and May Hardy, who sold out early in the evening. Opposite was the children's fancy work booth, in charge of Miss Nettie Pratt, aided by Dollie Crocker, Mamie Lewis, Fannie Ehrhart, Nellie Schroeder and Jennie Wells. The dispensers of Osakes' confections at the candy booth were Mrs. J. K. Warren, Misses Lucy Prestley, Jessie Hill, Nannie Anderson, Carrie Powers and Anna G. The ice cream table was presided over by Mrs. A. T. Hill and Mrs. W. T. Wells, aided by a number of watchful assistants.

Taken altogether it was by far the most delightful affair of the season, and will long be pleasantly remembered and the fact that the receipts were nearly \$400 is very gratifying to the congregation who feel deeply grateful to the public for their generous patronage.

MACON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT.

December Term, 1879.

SATURDAY, DEC. 20.

Court convened at 8 a.m.

CHANCERY DOCKET.

Elvira E. Pugh vs John C. and Almira H. Mark; foreclosure; report of master approved.

Evaline Bowen et al vs Catherine Wells et al; partition; report of master approved, and S. P. Nickey, T. Howell and Geo. V. Loring appointed commissioners.

Lydia A. Toland vs Beasie Toland; down; report of master approved; decree; E. A. Jones, Wm. Montgomery and Geo. V. Loring appointed commissioners

Maggie A. Fluhr vs Elizabeth Cooper et al; chancery; referred to master.

The trespass case of Joseph M. Troutman vs Anton Foilmer, was not called, and court adjourned at 11 a.m. till Monday, Dec. 22, at 8:30 a.m. n.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Jacob Frick, of Macon, was a caller at the Republican office last evening.

Rev. A. H. Chittenden will conduct quarterly meeting services at Latham tomorrow.

Rev. G. W. Miller will give an interesting illustrated Christmas sermon at Stapp's Chapel on Sunday evening. Let everybody attend.

Miss Ida Burrows and Miss Belle Burrows arrived home from the Knoxville school last evening, and were present at the Presbyterian reception.

